UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, : S10 19cr463 (DLC)

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-v- : <u>ORDER</u>

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DAVID MALEH,

Defendant.

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DENISE COTE, District Judge:

The Court has scheduled the change of plea hearing to occur on March 5, 2021 at 9 a.m. The defendant is incarcerated. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the defendant may have the option of appearing in court or through a videoconference. If, due to the increase in demand for videoconference proceedings, a videoconference is not available it may be possible to arrange for a telephone conference. Accordingly, it is hereby

ORDERED that defense counsel shall respond to the following two questions by noon on March 3:

- 1) Does the defendant consent to have the proceeding occur as a videoconference?
- 2) If a videoconference is unavailable, does the defendant consent to have the proceeding occur as a telephone conference?

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If the defendant consents to either option, please complete and submit the written consent form attached to this Order if it is feasible to do so.

Dated:

New York, New York February 23, 2021

/DENISE COTE

United \$tates District Judge